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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Eric Kmiec et al.
Application No. : 10/681,074 Confirmation No. : N/A
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For : METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR REDUCING
SCREENING IN OLIGONUCLEOTIDE-DIRECTED
NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCE ALTERATION
Group Art Unit : N/A
Examiner : N/A

Palo Alto, CA 94301
January 7, 2004

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.